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Time Topic

Background	0.0	Lead. Interviewer -- A. Kingsnorth. Language -- English Setting -- office in CSUS Foreign Languages Dept. Long lead time. Occasional interruptions.	
	4.0	Discussion of background -- France, wartime childhood. Military service -- US. Education at CSUS and in Canada. Reasons for returning to Sacramento to teach. Interest in languages.	
	7.0	1950s-1960's. Involvement and non-involvement in French organizations outside of Sacramento.	
		Teens. One of ten children. Growing up in refugee family	
	9.0	Family move to US. Present whereabouts of family members. Reasons for moves. Two sisters described as "war brides".	*
	10.0	Comparative immigration experience. Mention of French vs. Italian immigration and community in New York. Ease of acquiring new language as child or teenager.	
	12.0	Notes non-involvement of family in French community in New York.	
Sacto. French	13.0	Sacramento French community 1960s. (Subject's joining Sacramento area.) Non-involvement and reasons for it during 1960s. Mentions that the club (Causeries françaises) founded already by 1960. (Researcher comment: actually founded in 1925 to best of knowledge -- see Kingsnorth report)	*
	15.0	French community in Sacramento lacks geographical focus, unlike San Francisco French community. Instead food industry and schools are the focus of Sacramento's French community.	*
Film	16.0	Sacramento has 'always' had a French film theatre. 1960's, Guild Theatre, Oak Park. San Francisco possible to view a different French film nightly. Film influential in US. CSUS annually offers successful course on French film.	9
	18.5	Further discussion of 1960's Guild Theatre. Oak Park as 1960's arts-crafts center of Sacramento. Subject's own silver wedding ring from there.	
Lang. teaching in Sacto.	19.0	Causeries françaises. C.f. has always had some level of identification with CSUS or UCD. (Researcher comment: see Kingsnorth report for update on this.)	*
	20.0	French language and culture in Sacramento High Schools. San Juan High School District and French language. Schools supportive of French as subject.	

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21.0	High Schools and French. Trips to Quebec and France in groups. (Researcher comment: difficult to obtain specifics from subject. Suspect slight exaggeration of numbers, frequency, here and elsewhere on tape.)	*
23.0	Subject teaches future teachers foreign language instruction methods, therefore, sees "all" foreign language teachers.	
	High school French clubs. Some schools with over one hundred members. Activities involve making deserts, field trips, dinners e.g. Crepe Daniel.	* *
25.0	French language camps. Ski trips.	
26.0	Mardi Gras in San Juan District. Celebrated annually. Masked Ball. Skits.	
28.0	Relationship of High School French clubs to the two community clubs: Causeries francaises and L'Union gauloise.	*
30.0	High School French language teachers meet informally monthly. Attend conferences.	*
New Side		
0.0	Continues above topic.	
Youth	Relationship of Causeries francaises to youth.	*
3.0	Second generation French in Sacramento. Discusses own daughter.	*
4.0	Teen travel to France. Being French as bringing status?	*
French and status	6.0 Students of French language overwhelmingly female. Cultural perceptions of French and German languages.	*
	8.0 Status of French language internationally. Importance as a mother tongue (80-90 million French speakers in the world.) Importance as a second language.	
	9.0 Present standing of French language and culture. Ten to fifteen year old "renaissance" of "finer things". Perrier water, croissants, film, wines. Tremendous appeal, despite smallness of community.	*
	12.0 Ease of air travel currently. Discussion of role of travel agents in this "renaissance". Mentions Giselle's (travel agency). (Researcher comment: failure to mention several individuals known to researcher who specialize in travel to France interesting and symptomatic of the looseness of the French community in Sacramento, see report).	*
	CSU and CSUS student exchange programs in Quebec and Aix-en-	*

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B. 14.0	Provence.	
Cuisine 15.0	Sacramento French Restaurants. Refers to Dr.(Annik) Vickers (CSUS French instructor and co-owner of Movable Feast Restaurant and previous co-owner of La Salle's and the French Room restaurants. See Kingsnorth report), La Salle's, Aldo's, Wulfs, restaurants specializing in different degrees in French and continental cuisine.	*
16.0	Subject teaches French cuisine for CSUS Home Ec. Department regularly. Very popular. Emphasizes that the class is a <u>culture</u> class; involves history, role of French cuisine in culture.	*
18.0	Discussion of similar classes around Sacramento. Subject not specific. (Researcher comment. Omissions here interesting. French cuisine has and is being taught in the Adult Education system and privately by individuals and through kitchenware shops and Bed and Breakfast establishments in Sacramento regularly -- see report.)	
20.0	Textbooks. Food.	
Minorities 24.0	Francophone minorities: Cajun speakers, French- Canadians, South East Asian peoples, Middle East and African francophones.	*
27.0	Thanks	

Abbreviations:

SECS	Sacramento Ethnic Community Survey
AK	Alice Kingsnorth
C.f.	Causeries françaises -- Oldest French Language Club in Sacramento
CSUS	California State University Sacramento
UCD	University of California Davis
Report	"The Twentieth Century French Community in Sacramento" ms. on file at Sacramento History Center, 1984, by AK.

* Indicates tied into report narrative.